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Transmural Concentric Multilayer Ingrowth Matrix Within Well-

Defined Porosity

RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit herewith their Response to the Office Action dated March 6, 2006. A two-month extension of time to file this Response is requested. In addition, a Terminal Disclaimer is included with this Response. The specification and claims of the application have not been amended. Remarks begin on page 2

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